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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This preliminary amendment is necessitated by the Petition to Accept Color Photographs Under 37 C.F.R. § 184(a)(2) and (b)(2), being filed under separate cover.

The patent application contains two figures executed in color (Figs. 4 and 5). Paragraph [0031] should be amended as attached to reflect the reference to the color photographs.